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Dillon Fire Close to Containment

Yreka, CA-Containment lines on the Dillon Fire held last night, despite strong winds causing a few flareups inside the lines. The 330 acre Dillon Fire burning on the Klamath and Six Rivers National Forests is now 80% contained and full containment is expected on August 6.

The Dillon Fire was ignited Friday alongside California Highway 96 approximately 15 miles southwest of Happy Camp, California. Many small roadside fires over a 20 mile stretch of highway caused the closure of Highway 96 from Ti-Bar to Coon Creek. Highway 96 remains closed and is expected to reopen today at 6 p.m. to one way traffic with a pilot car.

Dry lightning is expected to move into the area today and crews are on standby should any new fires get started.

The Klamath and Six Rivers National Forests have implemented Fire Restrictions beginning Monday August 6. Initiating fire use restrictions will help minimize the potential of human caused wild fire starts.

Time/Date Started: August 3, 2012, around noon

Location: Klamath and Six Rivers National Forests, 15 miles southwest of Happy Camp, CA near Dillon Creek.

Cause: Under investigation

Fuels: Timber, brush

Size: 300 acres

Resources Committed: 8 Type 1 crews, 3 Type 2 crews, 5 helicopters, 14 engines, 6 water tenders, and 1 bulldozer

Predicted Weather: Lightning activity is predicted over the area through Sunday. Little or no moisture is expected along with this weather system. High winds and dry air are expected to follow the dry lightning.

Evacuations: The Dillon Creek Campground has been evacuated.

Cooperators: Klamath National Forest, Six Rivers National Forest, CAL FIRE, California Highway Patrol, CAL TRANS

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